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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are pleased to congratulate Dennis Schmidt on the occasion of the conclusion of his 35-year career as Police Chief of the Montgomery Police Department and for his new position as manager of Waubensee Community College's driver safety program; and

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WHEREAS, Dennis Schmidt is a native of Aurora; he began his career with the Montgomery Police Department in 1974, when he was hired as a patrol officer upon his discharge from the U.S. Army, where he had served as a medic; in 1978, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant; in September of 1981, he was appointed to serve as police chief by the late Village President Stu Johnson; and

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WHEREAS, During Dennis Schmidt's tenure, the Montgomery Police Department saw a period of steady growth, especially over the past decade, as the village population grew from a population of about 4,000 to more than 17,000 residents; to accommodate the village's growing police department, Mr. Schmidt played a key role in the planning for a new police station on U.S. Route 30 at Griffin Drive; the facility, which was designed and sized to accommodate the village's future population growth, was dedicated in 2005; he has also served

1 admirably as a leader during numerous emergencies in
2 Montgomery, including the floods in the Parkview Estates
3 Subdivision in 1972, 1983, and 1996; and

4 WHEREAS, Following his departure from the Montgomery
5 Police Department, Dennis Schmidt will serve as manager of
6 Waubonsee Community College's driver safety program, where his
7 expertise and talents will be greatly beneficial to the
8 students and instructors of the program; and

9 WHEREAS, Dennis Schmidt serves as a model of hard work,
10 integrity, and dedication for the people of the State of
11 Illinois; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
13 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
14 congratulate Dennis Schmidt on the occasion of the conclusion
15 of his 35-year career as Police Chief of the Montgomery Police
16 Department and for his new position at Waubonsee Community
17 College; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
19 presented to Dennis Schmidt as a symbol of our esteem and
20 respect.